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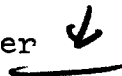
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Dear Joshua:

Thank you for your truly beautiful letter of sympathy. You write that you had just begun to know Nelson. I am sorry that there was not time for you to really know him personally. You and I do not yet know one another well, but what I do know of you makes me believe that you and Nelson could have become friends.

I am grateful to you and your wife for thinking of me and for writing to me in a way that brings true consolation.

Sincerely,

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